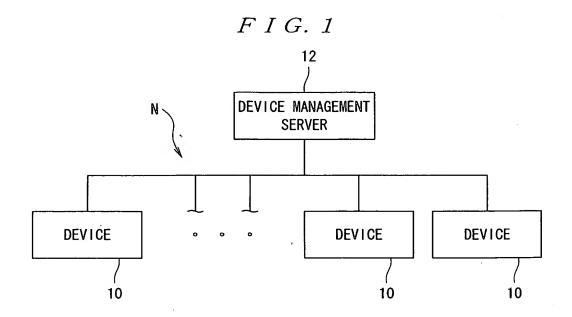
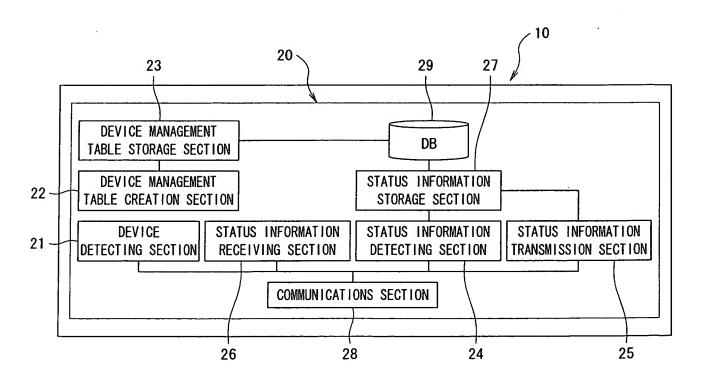
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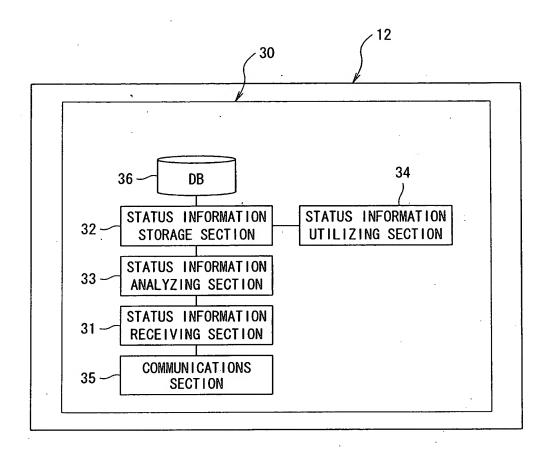


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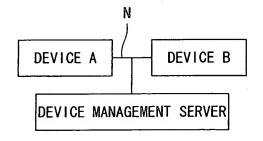


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F I G. 3



F I G. 4



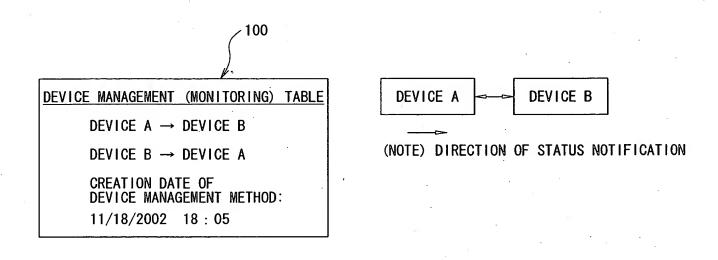
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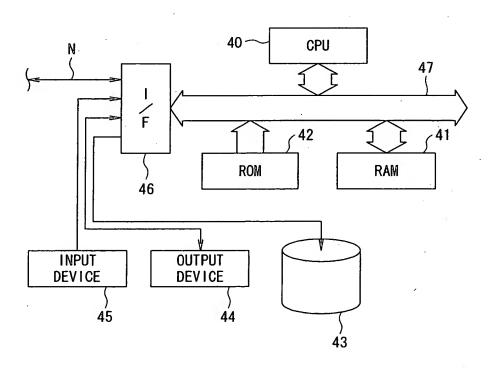
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F I G. 5 B



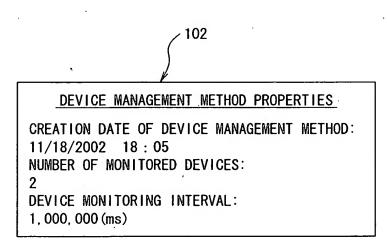
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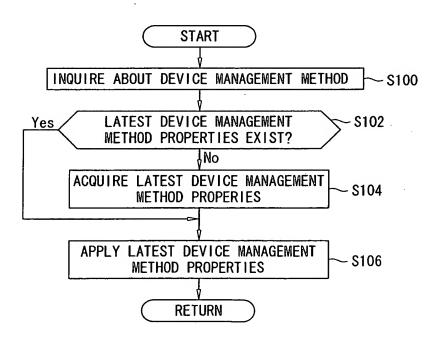
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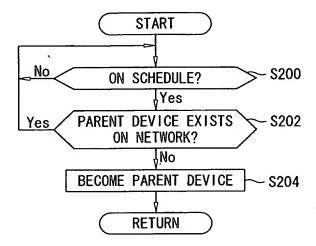


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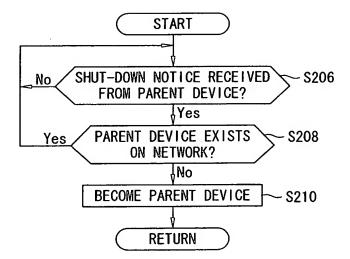


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F I G. 9



F I G. 10

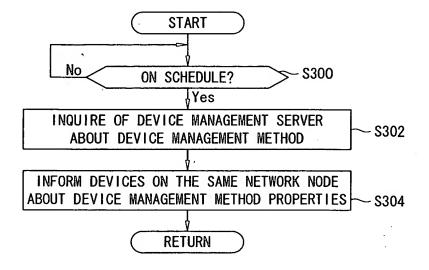


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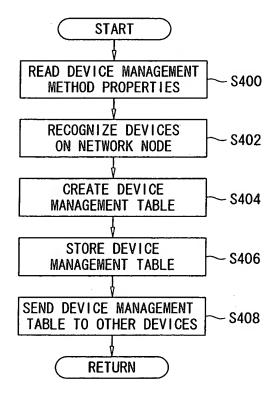
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F I G. 11



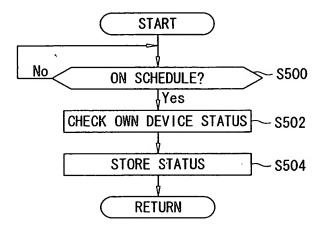
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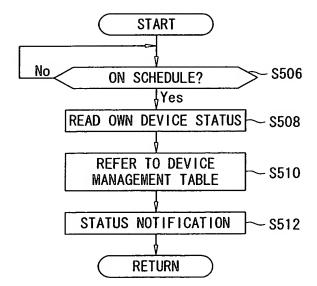
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F I G. 13



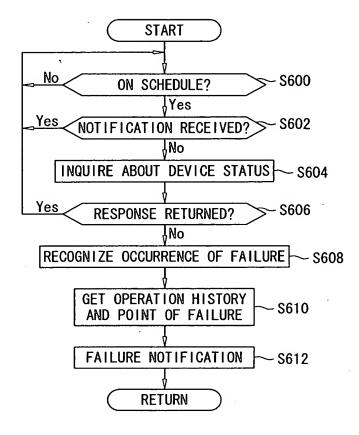
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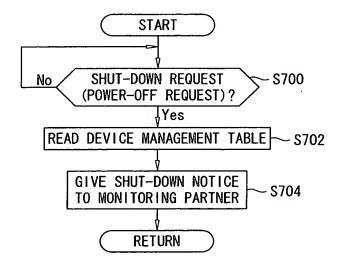
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F I G. 16

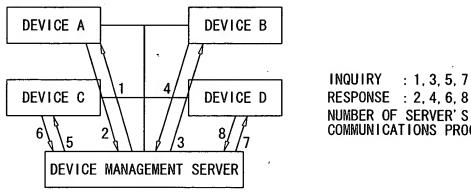


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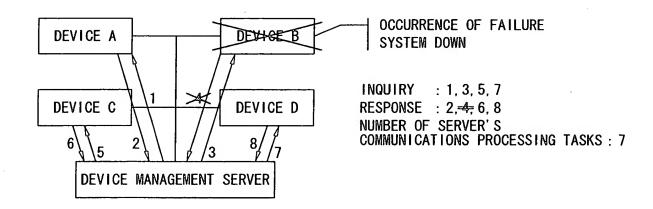
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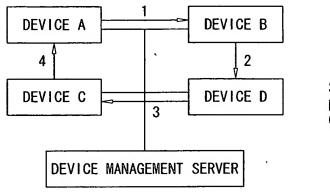
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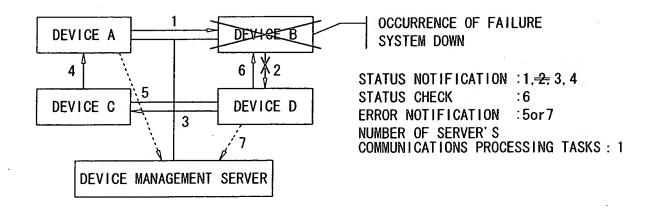


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NUMBER OF SERVER'S

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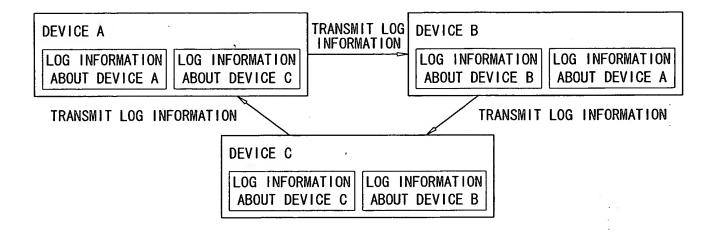


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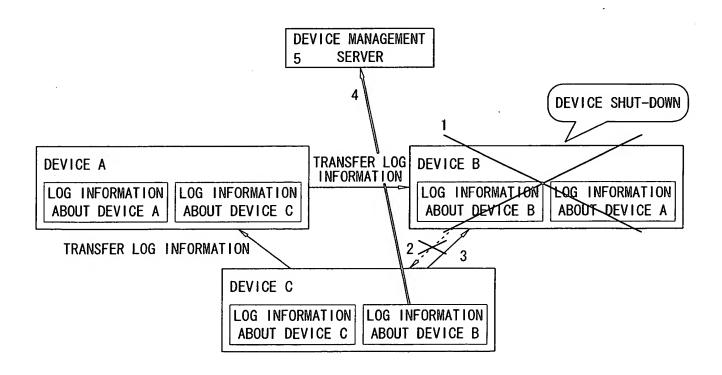
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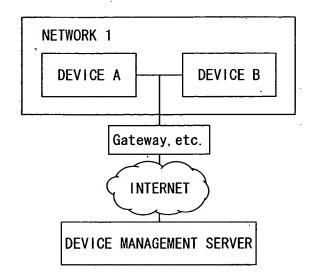
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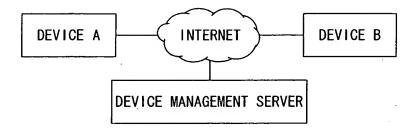
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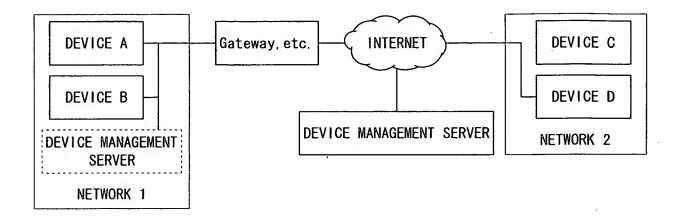
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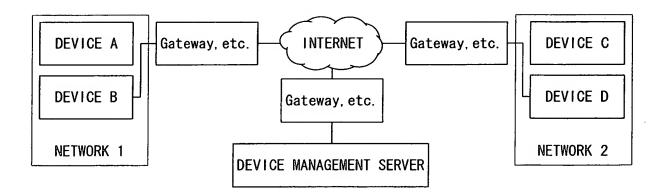
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F I G. 25



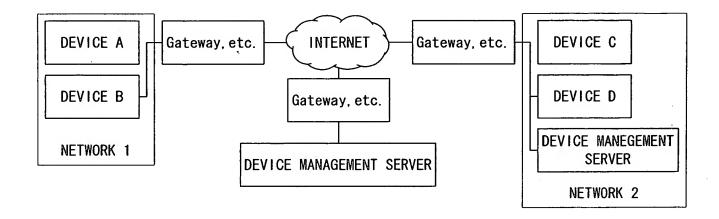
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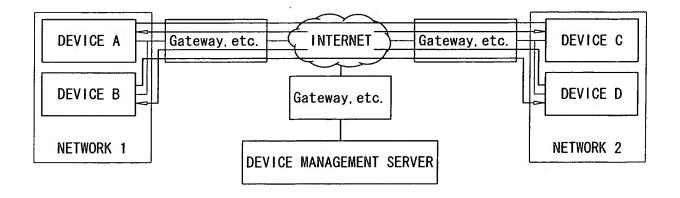
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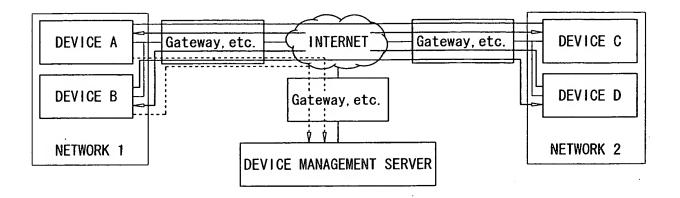
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F I G. 29

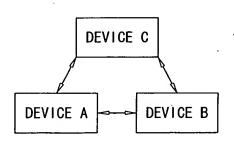


F I G. 30A

F I G. 30B

WHEN THE NUMBER OF DEVICES IS 3:

DEVICE MANAGEMENT (MONITORIN	IG) TABLE
DEVICE A → DEVICE B	;
DEVICE B → DEVICE C	
DEVICE C → DEVICE A	
DEVICE A → DEVICE C	,
DEVICE B → DEVICE A	
DEVICE C → DEVICE B	



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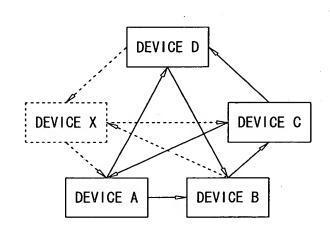
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F I G. 3 1 A

F I G. 31B

WHEN THE NUMBER OF DEVICES IS N:

DEVICE MANAGEMENT (MONITORING)	TABLE
DEVICE A → DEVICE B	
DEVICE A \rightarrow DEVICE D	
DEVICE B → DEVICE C	
DEVICE B → DEVICE E	
DEVICE C \rightarrow DEVICE D	
DEVICE C \rightarrow DEVICE A	
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F I G. 32

	MANUFACTURING DATE
DEVICE A	07/25/2001
DEVICE B	10/14/2001
DEVICE C	04/16/2002
DEVICE D	11/28/2002

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DEVICE MANAGEMENT (MONITORING) TABLE

DEVICE A → DEVICE D

DEVICE D → DEVICE B

DEVICE B → DEVICE C

DEVICE $C' \rightarrow DEVICE A$

F I G. 34

DEVICE MANAGEMENT (MONITORING) TABLE DEVICE A → DEVICE D DEVICE D → DEVICE B DEVICE B → DEVICE A DEVICE C → DEVICE A DEVICE C → DEVICE B

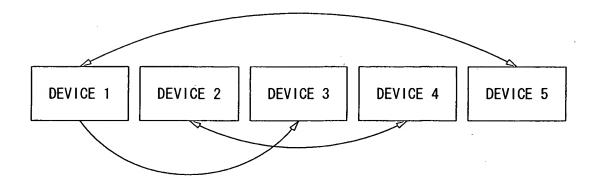
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CURRENT DATE: 10/01/2003			UNIT: MONTHS		
DEVICE NAME	MANUFACTURING DATE X		Υ	Y'	
DEVICE 1	NEWEST (3/1/2003)	X1 (7)	Y1 (15-7 =8)		
DEVICE 2	SECOND NEWEST (7/1/2002)	X2 (15)	Y2 (26)	Y' 2 (6)	
DEVICE 3	THIRD NEWEST (2/1/2001)	X3 (32)	Y3 (32)	X/3/XXX/,	
DEVICE 4	FOURTH NEWEST (8/1/2000)	X4 (38)	14/39/1.		
DEVICE 5	FIFTH NEWEST (OLDEST) (1/1/2000)	X5 (45)	_	_	

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F I G. 37

DEVICE NAME	MANUFACTURING DATE	PRODUCT LIFE
DEVICE 1	NEWEST	L1
DEVICE 2	SECOND NEWEST	L2
DEVICE 3	THIRD NEWEST	L3
DEVICE 4	FOURTH NEWEST	L4
DEVICE 5	FIFTH NEWEST (OLDEST)	L5

F I G. 38

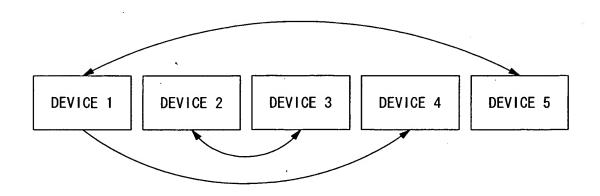
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OUNCENT DATE: 10/01/2000						
DEVICE NAME	MANUFACTURING DATE	X (MONTHS)	PRODUCT LIFE	Y=L-X	Z	Z'
DEVICE 1	NEWEST (3/1/2003)	X1 (7)	L1 (12)	Y1 (5)	Z1 (4)	_
DEVICE 2	SECOND NEWEST (7/1/2002)	X2 (15)	L2 (24)	Y2 (9)	Z2 (-25)	Z' 2 (-29)
DEVICE 3	THIRD NEWEST (2/1/2001)	X3 (32)	L3 (12)	Y3 (-20)	Z3 (-7)	12/3//XXX
DEVICE 4	FOURTH NEWEST (8/1/2000)	X4 (38)	L4 (36)	Y4 (-2)	44/78/	_
DEVICE 5	FIFTH NEWEST (OLDEST) (1/1/2000)	X5 (45)	L5 (12)	Y5 (-33)		_

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F I G. 40

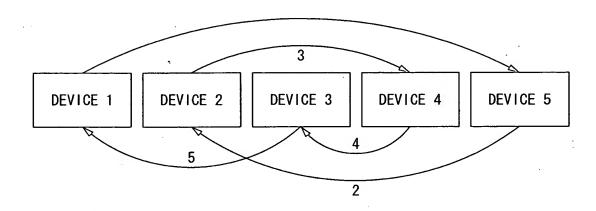
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DEVICE NAME	ME MANUFACTURING DATE	
DEVICE 1	NEWEST (3/1/2003)	
DEVICE 2	SECOND NEWEST (7/1/2002)	
DEVICE 3	THIRD NEWEST (2/1/2001)	
DEVICE 4	FOURTH NEWEST (8/1/2000)	
DEVICE 5	FIFTH NEWEST (OLDEST) (1/1/2000)	

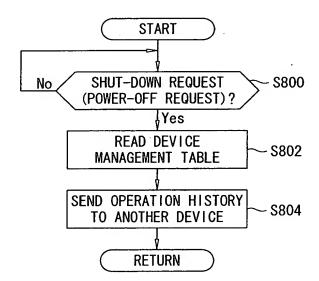
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